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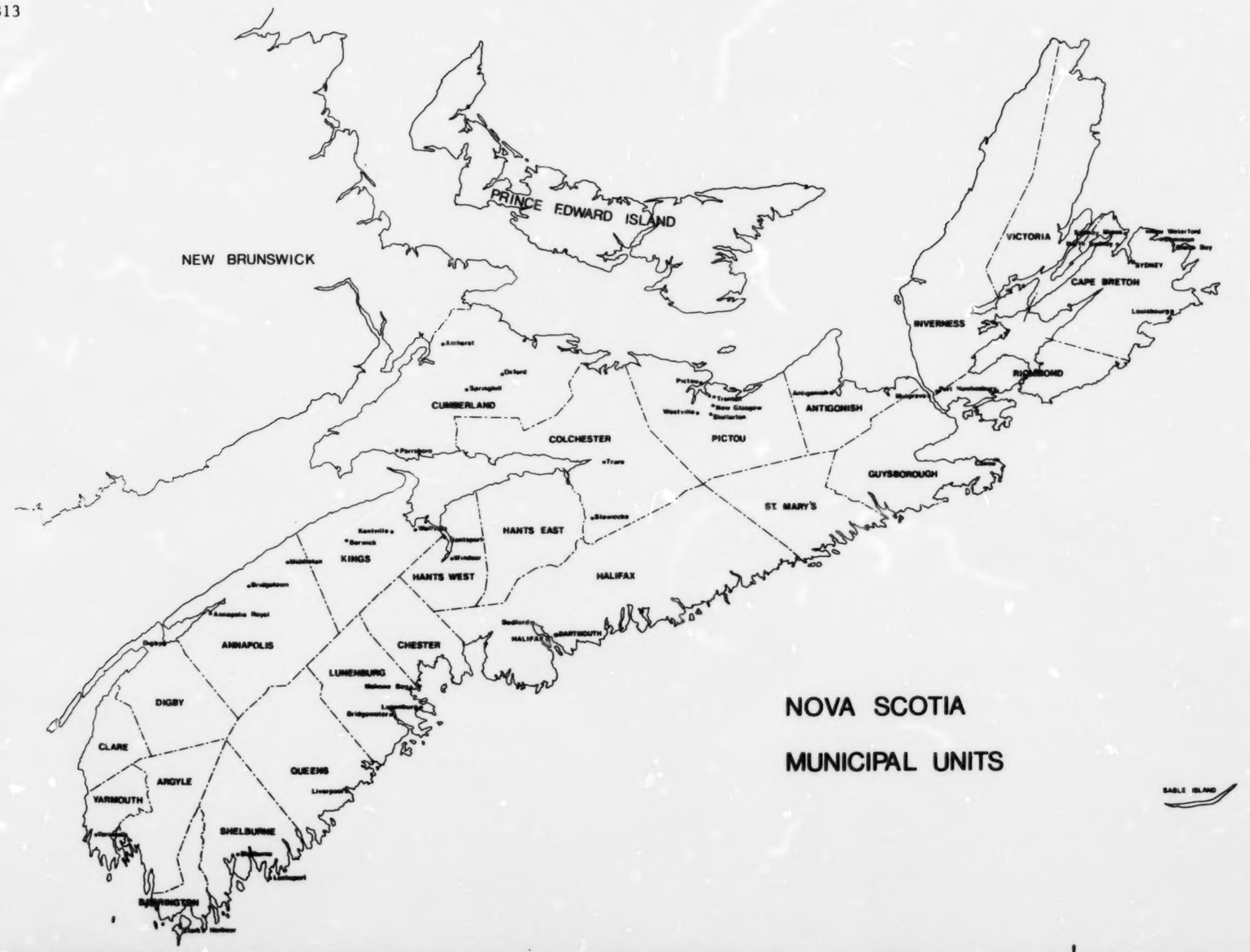
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For a number of years, with the encouragement of the Department of Municipal Affairs, a consolidated response to all resolutions passed by Annual Conferences of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities has been prepared. These consolidations are, in effect, a report to succeeding Conferences of the manner in which the Province of Nova Scotia has replied to or acted upon matters of concern taken to the various Departments of Government at the direction of the general membership of the Union.

A review and assessment of the material contained on the following pages will identify for the reader the response of the Province to those matters felt to be important to municipal government. While replies from the various Ministers are carried in our monthly newsletter as received, the consolidation is nevertheless an invaluable reference piece for delegates to an Annual Conference on many of the previous year's activities and as an ongoing record of the Union's accomplishments and effectiveness in dealing with the Government of the Province.

Our sincere thanks to Shingai Nyajeka of the Department of Municipal Affairs for his support and assistance as evidenced in the preparation of the very professional document which follows.

Executive Director
Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities

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SECTION 1	RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE PLENARY SESSIONS AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNION		
PART I	RESOLUTIONS RE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL		
1(A3)	Takeover of Jails and Correctional Centres "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government to implement a four year plan to takeover jails without reducing the Municipal Operating Grant." The Resolutions Committee recommended this resolution, with the following amendment, namely, changing "five year plan" to "four year plan", which was the proposal put forward by the Union Executive to the Provincial Government. Subsequent to the passage of this resolution the Premier announced that the "takeover" would not affect the Municipal Grant structure.	Inverness-Richmond-Victoria Regional (Richmond County)	The Government continues to be in a deficit positon on its operating budget and therefore Cabinet was not prepared to give its approval for the proposal for the coming fiscal year. I intend to resubmit the matter for further consideration by Cabinet at a later date.
2(A4)	Cost-Sharing On Cost Of Breathalyzer Unit Purchase "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Province of Nova Scotia be urged to institute a cost-sharing arrangement in the purchase of equipment, the use of which increases Provincial revenues."	Town of Stellarton	I wish to advise that I am reviewing the question of costs that are levied on summary conviction matters and will attempt to determine whether or not some equitable arrangements might be devised for responding as I believe the request has merit.

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3(A5)	Impaired Driving Offenders - Optional Curative Programme "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities be requested to support the recommendation of the Advisory Council of the Valley Health Serivces on Alcohol and Drugs, and concurred in by the R.C.M.P. Detachment, that a pilot project be commenced that would offer the offenders, if assessed as having a continual alcohol problem, the option of a 28-day curative program at a Detox Centre in lieu of the 14-day sentence, in the hope that it will prove beneficial and eventually will become the standard treatment for second offenders in the Province of Nova Scotia; AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities approach the Attorney General for the establishment of this pilot program." NOTE: A minor amendment was made to the resolution by the Resolutions Committee - to refer to "a Detox Centre" instead of to a specific Detox Centre.	Valley Regional - Town of Kentville	I wish to advise we are giving serious consideration to the proposal and I have met with the representives of the Advisory Council of the Valley Health Services on Alcohol and Drug and hope that when the necessary amendments to the Criminal Code have ben passed by the Federal Government that we will be able to proceed with the establishment of a pilot program of this type.
4(A6)	Vigorous Prosecution for Vandalism "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Attorney General of the Province of Nova Scotia to more vigorously enforce and prosecute irresponsible citizens who cause vandalism to property and create a disrespect for the law in our municipalities."	South West Regional - Town of Yarmouth	I wish to state that vandalism in itself is not an offence under the Criminal Code but is dealt with as Mischief under Section 387. Our prosecutors are aware that they should make a strong representation to the Courts when prosecuting such offences. While we have not made any representations to the police, they are aware of the problem and lay charges where there is evidence to support the laying of charges. In summary, I am satisfied that the police

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			are doing their best to enforce the law in regard to Mischief and Damage to Property and that the prosecutors are treating such prosecutions seriously.
PART II	**RESOLUTIONS RE ASSESSMENT**		
5(A7)	Revenue Lost Due to Reduction of Assessment Because of Foam Insulation "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities make representation on behalf of all municipal units to the Department of Municipal Affairs that grants in lieu of revenues lost as a result of reduced assessments resulting from the installation of Urea Formaldehyde Foam insulation be given; AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities make representation to the Provincial Assessment Department to ensure that the assessment on houses containing Urea Formaldehyde Foam insulation are re-examined and re-assessed once the insulation is removed." This also embodies Resolutions A8 and A9 which are set forth in the Class C Resolutions report.	South Shore Regional - Town of Liverpool	As it was explained in my response to a similar resolution passed at the Union's 1982 Conference, in the absence of detailed market data the 25 per cent reduction in the assessment of homes and buildings insulated with urea formaldehyde foam was a policy decision made by the Department based on comparable reductions for similar situations in other provinces. Homes and structures which have had UFFI removed are being reassessed to market value and over the coming two years the department will be advising ratepayers whose homes are insulated with UFFI that it is our intention to drop the specific 25 per cent reduction and reassess these properties to market value at the time of the next general reassessment.
6(A12)	Exemption of Public Libraries From Municipal Taxation "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Assessment Act be amended to recognize the educational nature of public libraries by providing for tax exempt status."	District of Guysborough	I have been advised by the Department's solicitors that public libraries should be treated as any other municipal property and a directive has subsequently been sent to the appropriate assessment offices advising that public libraries are to be tax exempt.

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7(A13)	Bankruptcies - Collection of Business Occupancy Tax "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government through its Department of Municipal Affairs to correct this situation, so as tomake it easier for municipal units to collect business occupancy tax." The Conference approved this resolution in principle, and referred it to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities through your delegates to the Federation, for appropriate action.	Inverness County	I believe this resolution points out that there is indeed provision in the Assessment Act which places an obligation upon a Trustee in Bankruptcy to pay business occupancy tax or else be personally liable for the tax owing. The difficulty appears to rest with the Bankruptcy Act which is a federal statute. The latter part of this resolution which refers the matter to the FCM presumably for discussion with the federal government would appear to be the appropriate course of action.
PART III	**RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT**		
8(A15)	Industrial Exemptions From Property Taxes and Property Tax Sharing "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government to re-negotiate with all of the municipal units involved the existing legislation regarding the industries in Point Tupper; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government to make available to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities any discussion papers or proposed legislation regarding tax sharing for the Province so that a meaningful dialogue could be established to ensure that the best possible legislation will come forth."	Richmond County	The resolution on revenue-sharing which the Union Executive adopted and presented to Cabinet on December 8, 1983, has been referred to Department staff in order that they, in consultation with the Task Force, may give careful study to the proposals set forward by the Union with respect to the implementation of inter-municipal sharing of revenues derived from new large scale developments. I want to take this opportunity to assure the Union membership that any proposals with respect to revenue-sharing which may be forthcoming in response to your Executive's resolution will be fully discussed with the Union and the municipalities.

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PART IV	**RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF EDUCATION**		
9(A17)	Use of 1983 Uniform Assessment and Increase in Municipal Contribution to Education Costs "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities oppose this excessive increase in municipal education contributions and urge the Provincial Government to reconsider its announced intentions and hold any such increses to a level not to exceed 6%." This resolution was prepared by the Resolutions Committee in general terms, based on an original resolution submitted by the District of Barrington.	Resolution Committee	I am aware that the rate of increase in mandatory municipal contributions in the 1984 calendar year, from 40¢ per $100 of 1982 uniform assessment to 42¢ on 1983 uniform assessment, is a rate increase of 5%. I also understand that total mandatory contributions will increase to $60.3 million in 1984 compared to $57.3 million in 1983 (or 9.12%) because of the combined effects of the up-dated uniform assessment and the increased tax rate. The municipal mandatory contribution is based on uniform assessments which are the most reasonable measures of municipal "ability to pay". If uniform assessments increase, then municipal mandatory contributions will increase in relation. Conversely, stabilization of uniform assessments will not necessitate higher mandatory municipal contributions. You should be aware that municipal contributions based on "ability to pay" are an essential component of the district school board financial system. Any deviation from this principle, by limiting increases for some municipal units, would be a practice which I could not condone because this would result in inconsistent treatment for municipal units and/or provide concessions for some units to which all units may not be entitled. I anticipate that any further controls on increases in municipal contribution would be unwarranted in view of the additional pressures that this would cause on provincial grants.

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10(A18)	Revision of Funding Formula for Education Costs "BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Education and the Provincial Government take appropriate steps in consultation with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to revise the funding formulae to recognize the existing disparities and introduce appropriate weighting factors in the formulae to make possible the provision of equal educational opportunities throughout the Province without imposing unfairly high costs on certain municipal units." This resolution is a consolidation of A18, A19, A20, A21 and A31.	Resolution Committee	I am uncertain as to the meaning of "appropriate" weighting factor but I am pleased that the Formula Review Committee has recommended, and Cabinet has approved, the introduction of new weighting factors for salary costs and rural consideration. I believe these to be "appropriate" and I consider these weighting factors to be an example of adjustments that can be made to streamline the funding formula and make it more responsive to the "peculiar" operational problems being experienced by district school boards. The funding formula for the 1984 calendar year has already been finalized and further adjustments which would require a further increase in provicial grants in 1984 cannot be made. However, I anticipate that the Formula Review Committee, on the basis of submissions from district school boards will continue to suggest further improvements to the funding formula. These improvements, combined with school board efforts to curtail any unnecessary expenditures, should enable us to avoid the possibility of unfairly high costs on municipal units.

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11(A23)	Teachers' Salaries - Province To Be Responsible For Excess Over Municipal Guidelines "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities endorse the resolution of the Nova Scotia School Board Association - that, should teachers' salaries exceed municipal guidelines, the Provincial Government due to their involvement in the negotiations of the agreement with the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union be responsible for the amount by which the municipal guidelines are exceeded."	Halifax Dartmouth Regional - City of Halifax	As previously noted, the district school board financial system is based on municipal contributions calculated on uniform assessments, and residual provincial grants to the maximum per student unit grant. If total costs related to teachers salaries or any other type of school board expenditure exceed these sources of funds, reductions in school board budgets wil be required, additional payments will have to be made by either "paying partner", or a combination of both alternatives will have to be explored. Nevertheless, I am aware of the considerable impact which teachers' salaries have on total school board expenditures. I have recently written to the Honourable Ron Russell, Chairman of Management Board, to express my concerns regarding the projected salary expenditures and 1984 funding formula. I am convinced that the Honourable Mr. Russell and my Cabinet colleagues are aware of the cost implications of decisions made during the negotiations with the Nova Scotia Teachers Union as well as the relationship of salaries costs to 1984 funding formula. These factors will be very carefully considered before 1984 negotiations with the Nova Scotia Teachers Union are finalized.

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12(A24)	Funding of Regional Libraries - Review of Formula "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we request the Department of Education to review the formula used to fund regional libraries within the Province with the aim to provide a more equitable method of financing." It was pointed out that there is a Committee presently studying this matter, and it is recommended that your Executive refer this resolution to that Committee and that it indicate its support.	South Shore Regional - Town of Lunenburg	The Provincial Library Council appointed a committee to consider a new funding formula for the Regional Libraries. At present, the only use of the foundation funding formula within the Department of Education is to determine funding for regional libraries. Because of the great variation in the current funding to libraries, the committee has difficulty in developing a new formula. When the Provincial Library Council recommends a new formula, we shall require the co-operation of the Municipal Units to make the formula work, and we shall probably require some additional funds from some of the Municipal Units.
13(A25)	Fully Elected School Boards - Need For Prior Consultation "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities vigorously oppose any legislation to establish fully elected School Boards with taxing powers." This resolution is a consolidation of Resolutions A25, A26, A27, A28, A29 and A30.	Resolutions Committee	During the last few years, considerable discussions have been held concerning the advantages and disadvantages of fully elected school boards with taxing powers - particularly since Nova Scotia is the only province in Canada which does not have fully elected school boards. However, during the past year, these discussions have been far less common than in the previous period. I am aware of your opposition to this change of the present school board structure. I can only say that, at the present time, I have no immediate plans for introducing any amending legislation to affect any changes in the existing arrangement. However, in the event that, at some future date, it is decided that discussions on the topic should be re-activated, you have my assurance that I will contact the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities for its views on the matter.

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PART V	**RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF HEALTH**		
14(A32)	Provincial Social Assistance Drug Coverage "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities make representation to the Department of Social Services to provide drug coverage to all members of a family receiving Provincial Social Assistance."	South Shore Regional - Town of Liverpool	Still under consideration.
15(A33)	Municipality Liability For Patient Not Entitled To Hospital Services - Should Be Removed "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Department of Health be requested to amend the Hospitals Act, so that a municipal unit shall not be legally liable for the costs of services provided to a patient for which the patient is not entitled, as long as the municipal unit has done its part by locating a bed in a Home For Special Care for that particular person; AND THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Department of Health instruct hospital boards that it becomes the responsiblity of the administrator of the hospital to follow appropriate guidelines and procedures to have the patient properly evicted from the hospital if the patient has refuesed to leave."	Valley Regional - Kings County	Still under consideration.

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16(A34)	Adequate Funding For Hospitals, Including New Services "BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Nova Scotia be commended for past support of our hospitals and be urged through its Department of Health to ensure that sufficient funding be provided to avoid curtailment of services and to permit development of new services."	South West Regional - Town of Yarmouth	Still under consideration.

PART VI **RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER IN CHARGE OF HOUSING**

17(A35) Income Tax Incentives for M.U.R.B.'s - Stimulation of Housing

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities petition the Government of Canada and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to return the program that was previously in effect, for the provision of tax incentives for the development of multiple family housing with consideration to be given to increasing the capital cost allowance of 10% on M.U.R.B.'s, and that the Federal Government be requested to look at additional methods to stimulate the production of adequate accommodation involving the public and private sector."

Your Committee approves this in principle and recommends this resolution be referred to the Canadian Federation of Municipalities through your delegates to the Federation for appropriate action.

Halifax-Dartmouth Regional - City of Halifax

A. BACKGROUND:

Supply - Vacancies

The Nova Scotia Department of Housing recognizes the need for additional rental housing, particularly in the urban areas. The C.M.H.C. survey of apartment vacancies in Metropolitan Halifax indicates that apartment vacancies are less than 1%, (with the exception of April, 1983, apartment vacancies have been less than 1% in Metropolitan Halifax since October, 1980). A general guideline accepted as an indication of an adequate supply is a vacancy rate of 3 to 4%.

Province Initiatives

The Province has been active in the development of public rental housing, to ensure adequate, affordable housing for the Province's senior citizens and families with modest incomes. There are now approximately

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			3,000 family and 6,100 senior citizens housing units in Nova Scotia. Funding for the operation of the programme is provided by the Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments. The Province has also been active in developing residential land. These land developments have provided sites for the private rental housing developments and for the development of non-profit cooperative housing. (The Province has also provided bridge financing to some private non-profit housing developments.) **Federal Initiatives** The Federal Government provides 75% of the funding for the capital and operating costs of the public housing programme. The Federal Government also provides interest write-downs to 2% for the mortgage interest of non-profit housing developments.) The Federal Government Rental Supply Programme offers interest free loans of $7,500 per unit (and in some cases more) for 15 years for private rental housing. The programme has met only moderate success. There have been 569 rental units approved in 1982 and 1983 under this programme in Nova Scotia. The tax provisions for M.U.R.B.'s (multiple unit residential buildings) were implemented in the mid 1970's. Originally provisions for M.U.R.B.'s provided a 5% capital-cost-allowance write-off to investors, plus full tax deductibility of soft costs (such as legal and accounting fees and mortgage fees) and a provision

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that allowed the deduction of interest costs on any funds borrowed by M.U.R.B. purchasers. After December 31, 1981 the soft cost provision and the deduction of interest costs were eliminated, and the capital cost allowance in the year of acquisition was limited to half the normal 5% rate. Capital cost allowances can now only be used to bring a building income to zero, and not to create a loss which could be applied against other income (which had been a possibility at one time during the programme).

B. **COMMENT:**

The Province would support any new initiatives to encourage the development of additional rental housing in Nova Scotia. The Province has urged the Federal Government to reconsider the tax incentives for multiple unit residential buildings. We are pleased to learn of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities support for the construction of additional rental housing, and the resolution to petition the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to return the programme of tax incentives for M.U.R.B.'s and to increase the C.C.A. for M.U.R.B.'s to 10%.

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18(A36)	Deduction of Babysitting Expenses When Computing Income for Subsidized Mortgage Payments "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Federal Minister responsible for Housing to instruct Canada Mortgage and Housing Commission to deduct from a person's net income the amount paid to babysitters and day care centres under the Rural ad Native Rehabilitation Program" Your Committee approves this in principle and recommends that this resolution be referred to the Canadian Federation of Municipalities through your delegates for appropriate action.	Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough Regional (Pictou County)	**A. BACKGROUND:** The resolution refers to the subsidized mortgage provided through the Rural and Native Rehabilitation Programme. There are two programmes available in rural areas from C.M.H.C., the rural and native housing programme which provides subsidized mortgages to low to moderate income families and the rural and native residential rehabilitation assistance programme which provides loans and grants for home repairs. It appears that the resolution is referring to the Rural and Native Housing Programme rather than the Repair Programme. The Programme payments for mortgages under the programme are based on payment to income scale (an example of the payment scale is attached). The difference between what participants can pay and actual mortgage payments is paid by the Federal (75%) and Provincial (25%) Governments. Monthly payments are reduced for families with children. A single working parent or a family in which both parents are working are allowed a $900 deduction from their annual income. This deduction is allowed in recognition of the child care expenses experienced by working parents. **B. COMMENTS:** The Province recognizes the problems that families with small incomes face in obtaining adequate, affordable housing. The Rural and Native Housing Programme is offered by the Federal Government with Provincial support to assist these people.

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			The programme includes provision for an allowance of a $900 reduction income used in calculating mortgage payments for single, working parents and two working parents. This reduction is provided in recognition of additional expenses (such as child care expenses) faced by working parents. We feel that it is unlikely an additional mortgage payment reduction for child care expenses can be provided for the programme.

PART VII RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

19(A37)	Reinstatement of Municipal Grants In 1984 As In Previous Years "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities demand the full and immediate reinstatement of the Municipal Grants Act and the repeal of the 1983 amendments thereto, and an undertaking from the Provicial Government that no future changes will be made in any grant or assistance program affecting the municipal units without previous consultation with them. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Provincial Government institute immediately a thorough and complete review of municipal-provincial financial arrangements in consultation with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, including an examination of alternative sources of municipal revenue, and a more equitable distribution of the municipal tax burden."	Resolutions Committee	As announced by the Premier in his remarks to the Union's Seventy-Eighth Conference, I will be introducing amendments to the Municipal Grants Act during the upcoming session of the Legislature which will restore the level of grants to municipal units for the provincial fiscal year 1984-85 to the level which existed prior to the budget reduction in April 1983.

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	This resolution combines Resolutions A37, A38, A39, A40, A41, A42, A43, and A44 as originally submitted. Subsequent to the passage of this resolution the Premier announced the restoration of the basic Municipal Grants and that there would be consultations regarding indexing of grants.		
20(A45)	User Fees For Services Provided To Hospitals and Educational Institutions "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to undertake the introduction to the Legislature of the necessary amendments to the relevant legislation to provide for the authorization of user charge payments on behalf of public hospitals and educational institutions.	Valley Regional - Town of Windsor	I have asked Department staff to look into this particular situation in order that I and Union officials might discuss the matter with my appropriate Cabinet Colleaques in an effort to get the problem resolved.
21(A46)	Business Improvement District Commissions - Different Tax Rates "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Towns Act be amended as follows: Section 220E(2) - after the word 'rate' in the fifth line, add the words 'or rates' Section 220E(5) - after the word 'rate' in the fourth line, add the words 'or rates' Section 220E(6) - after the word 'rate' in the first line, add the words 'or rates'."	Cumberland Regional - Town of Amherst	The Department will recommend that the provisions of the Towns Act and Municipal Act respecting business improvement district commissions be amended to allow the levying of separate rates on real property and on business occupancy assessments as set out in this resolution.

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22(A47)	Business Improvement District Commissions - Time For Submission of Budgets and Requested Rates "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Towns Act be amended by deleting te word 'next' in Clause (2), Section 220(e) of the Towns Act."	Cumberland Regional - Town of Amherst	The Department will recommend that the provisions of the Towns Act and Municipal Act respecting the budgets of business improvement district commissions be amended to allow the by-law establishing such commissions to set the date when the BIDC budget is to be submitted to the council, instead of having it set by legislation at December 31. This amendment will resolve the difficulty that arises under the current arrangement as described in this resolution.
23(A48)	Mandatory Grant In Lieu of Taxes On All Provincial Property "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government to correct this imbalance by passing legislation making it mandatory for Provincial grants in lieu of taxes to be paid on all property owned by the Province or any of its agencies."	Valley Regional - Town of Kentville	I understand that this particular resolution refers to the current manner in which grants in lieu of taxes paid by the Nova Scotia Power Corporation are calculated on the basis of retail revenues generated in each municipal units, thereby eliminating towns which have their own power distribution systems from receiving such grants. It would be my suggestion that the Union discuss this resolution with my colleague the Honourable Joel Matheson, Minister of Mines and Energy, and appropriate representatives from the Nova Scotia Power Corporation.
24(A49)	Grants In Lieu of Taxes When Province Occupying Federal Property "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Province of Nova Scotia to introduce legislation requiring the Province to make a grant in lieu of taxes on such Federal property when occupied by the Province or any of its departments or agencies."	Valley Regional - Town of Kentville	The Department will recommend that amendments be made to the provisions of the Municipal Grants Act to require the province to pay a grant-in-lieu of taxes when the province is occupying federal property.

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25(A50)	Review of Conflict of Interest Act to Provide More Flexibility "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this legislation be amended to allow councillors the freedom to carry out the duties of the office to which they are elected." The Conference approved this resolution and referred it to the Committee reviewing the Municipal Elections Act and the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.	District of Guysborough	It is my understanding that this resolution was referred directly to the Municipal Elections Act Review Committee. The Committee's Report has now been released and made available to all municipalities for their scrutiny and comment before I refer it on to Cabinet for further consideration. Presumably those units which are sympathetic to this resolution will respond accordingly in their review of the Committee's recommendations.
26(A51)	Conflict of Interest Act - Member of Library Board "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Provincial Government to implement a change in the Conflict of Interest legislation so as to alleviate this problem." The Conference approved this resolution and referred it to the Committee reviewing the Municipal Elections Act and the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.	Inverness County	The problem described in this particular resolution was referred to the Municipal Elections Act Review Committee. I have since been advised that the Committee, on reviewing the status of Library Boards, felt there was no reason to specifically address them under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.
27(A52)	Investment Income - Use of Special Reserve Fund "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the relevant municipal legislation be amended to give authority to the Minister to allow such transfer on request."	Cumberland Regional - Town of Amherst	Amendments to the Municipal Affairs Act were made last year to permit municipal units to use interest from equipment and operating accounts of the special reserve fund for operating income.

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	The original resolution was restricted to towns. The Resolutions Committee reworded it to apply to all municipal units and the Conference accepted it as revised.		
28(A53)	Half-Yearly Meeting - Deletion of Reference To In Municipal Act "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Government of Nova Scotia that Section 87 of the Municipal Act be amended to delete any reference to the holding of a half-yearly meeting."	South Shore Regional - District of Lunenburg	As requested in this resolution, the Department that changes be made to the Municipal Act to delete any reference to the holding of a half-yearly meeting by the council of a rural municipality.
29(A56)	More Power To Regulate Arcades "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Provincial Government to give municipal units more power to regulate such arcades, including restricting age of persons frequenting such arcades." The Resolutions Committee added the words "including restricting age of persons frequenting such arcades" and the Conference adopted the resolution as amended.	South West Regional - Town of Yarmouth	Department staff have had numerous discussions with officials in the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding the role of municipalities in licensing and regulating places of amusement. There are a number of concerns which warrant further discussion before legislation is amended to give municipal units a more direct role in regulating arcades as set out in this resolution. Among them, the concern that if the age of users and hours of operation are addressed in local by-laws, instead of by some provincial regulation, users will simply cross municipal boundaries to take advantage of less restrictive standards. I have therefore asked Department staff and Task Force to pursue this matter further with the Department of Consumer Affairs. In the meantime, Consumer Affairs advised that they will be contacting each of the municipal units and offering the Department's inspection services to

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			investigate the operation of arcades, etc. This approach, Consumer Affairs suggests, will allow them to evaluate the extent of the problem before decisions are made about the legislation. Interestingly there have been very few municipal complaints to Consumer Affairs about the operation of arcades.
30(A57)	Remuneration of Councillors on Annual Basis "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities urge the Department of Municipal Affairs to amend Section 191(4)(b) to read as follows - 'the remuneration to be paid to members of the council, which remuneration may be at a yearly rate and/or according to attendance at meetings'."	South West Regional - District of Clare	The Department proposes to amend clause (b) of subsection 1 of Section 194 of the Municipal Act to allow council remuneration on a combination of yearly stipend and attendance at meetings. This amendment will address the concerns put forward in Resolution #30.
PART VIII	**RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF SOCIAL SERVICES**		
31(A58)	Setting of Appropriate Per Diem Rates For Homes For Special Care	Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough - District of St. Mary's	The Minister of Social Services has established a Task Force to study many aspects of Homes for Special Care such as the need for beds throughout the Province, type of construction needed, classification procedures, and of course, the financing of our Homes for Special Care. This last sub-committee of the Task Force on Homes for Special Care has representation from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities - i.e. Sherman Zwicker, Executive Director of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, and your accountant Bill Hayward. It is anticipated that the Task Force will be presenting an interim report to me by the end of December, 1983 addressing the issues that you raised in this Resolution.
31(A59)	Provincial Approval of Shareable Per Diem Rates For Homes For Special Care	South West Regional - District of Yarmouth and Town of Yarmouth	
31(A60)	Improved Funding Formula For Homes For Special Care And Provincial Assumption of Cost of Extended Care Patients	South West Regional - District of Clare	
	The Conference approved Resolutions Nos. A58, A59 and A60 in principle by endorsing the submission of the Union to the Special Committee established by the Minister of Social Services to deal with		

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	problems relating to Homes for Special Care. This submission endorsed the recommendations of the so-called Munro Committee, and urged the Government to implement its recommendations. Resolutions A58, A59 and A60 are set forth in the Class "C" Resolutions.		
32(A61)	Income Tax Credit For Payment of Maintenance Costs In Homes For Special Care By Relatives "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Federal Government be solicited to amend the Income Tax Act to allow for donations made towards the cost of maintaining relatives in Nursing Homes and Homes for Special Care to be income tax deductible." The Conference endorsed the principle of this resolution, and recommended its referral to the Canadian Federation of Municipalities through your delegates for appropriate action.	South West Regional - District of Argyle	We acknowledge the principle as found in this Resolution and find in our opinion that it is a reasonable request. We will be meeting with our Federal counterparts throughout the coming year and we will place this Resolution on the agenda for discussion with the Federal Government.
33(A62)	Proper Accounting System For Social Services Costs "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities petition the Provincial Government to establish a proper accounting system to correct this problem."	South Shore Regional - Queens County	The Department recently developed manuals respecting program and financial standards for Municipal Social Service Programs. These Manuals, particularly that respecting financial standards, plus any used by auditors relating to auditing procedures, provide a basis for our Departmental Auditors to audit the financial operations and practices relating to Municipal Social Service offices.

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			It may well be appropriate and timely for the development of a working committee with representatives from Municipal Affairs, Finance, Social Services, the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities et al with the mandate to examine and formulate a manual - financial standards for municipalities.
34(A63)	Review of Settlement Act "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Settlement Act be amended to take into account present day realities regarding the institution of the family."	District of Guysborough	Based on our experience, any change in the Settlement Act must be clearly studied since the changes can have long term ramification vis-a-vis the Municipal Units cost towards their residents. For example, in this particular recommendation it is possible that at any given time that the custody of the child may revert back to the father or vice versa. However, the concept will be studied by our Department.
35(A64)	Settlement Act Not To Apply To General Municipal Assistance "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Social Assistance Act be amended in such a manner as to provide that for the purpose of general municipal assistance the Settlement Act not apply, and that the municipal unit where the applicant is applying for assistance shall be responsible for the cost of assistance granted, work provided in lieu, or whatever course of action is deemed most appropriate under the circumstances.	South West Regional - District of Barrington and - Town of Shelburne	In the past we have encouraged Municipal Units to work out collective agreements between themselves in which settlement in relationship to General Assistance would not apply. For example, Halifax County and the City of Halifax do not bill for general assistance. The City of Dartmouth, it is anticipated, will also enter into an agreement with these two Units not to bill for General Assistance. Hants County, as well, has entered an agreement with the City of Halifax. The City of Halifax has an agreement with Cape Breton County and is working on the establishment of agreements with other municipalities in the Province. It is our

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			understanding that these mutually agreed to arrangements are more appropriate than to make a major change in the Settlement Act and/or Social Assistance Act.

PART IX RESOLUTIONS FOR MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION

36(A65)	Motor Vehicle Act - Speed Limit of Less Than 50 km Per Hour "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Provincial Traffic Authority be urged to give more sympathetic consideration to requests from Municipal Traffic Authorities to designate speed limits of less than 50 km per hour in school zone areas." Your Committee recommends this resolution which has been amended slightly, to bring it in line with the provisions of the Motor Vehicle Act.	Town of New Waterford	Speed limits of less than 50 km/h are not considered realistic and are slower than the majority of motorists would be prepared to drive. As past experience has proven that unreasonable limits lead to many violations, no change is recommended at this time. It is, however, suggested that violations of the existing 50 km/h maximum are the more likely problem and stricter enforcement is a more practical solution.
37(A66)	Maintenance Costs For Four Lane Highways "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of Nova Scotia through its Department of Transportation, take immediate steps to remove the burden of costs from municipalities so affected by absorbing the full cost of maintenance on four lane highways."	Inverness-Richmond-Victoria - Town of Port Hawkesbury	As it is recognized that thru traffic accounts for a percentage of traffic on highways leading through towns, the Department of Transportation contributes at least 50% of the cost of maintenence. As it is noted that the Department already provides a high level of funding (77.08%) on the four lane highway through the Town of Port Hawkesbury, calculated at a cost per lane mile, it is not considered that the provincial contribution should be increased at this time.

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38(A67)	Financial Assistance To Maintain Local Highway Systems "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities make representation to the Minister of Transportation requesting that the Department give greater financial assistance to assist towns in the Province to maintain their local highway system."	South West Regional - Town of Yarmouth	Authority for maintaining provincial highways is covered under Section 2 of the Public Highways Act and excludes responsibility for highways within the boundaries of incorporated towns. The only exception is cost-shared maintenance and construction agreements on certain designated streets. In addition, the Department provides a grant to towns and cities to assist with snow removal and ice control based on the average Department cost of similar service in the area. While it may be desirable to assist towns with increased street maintenance, the resources of the province are presently strained to the limit.
39(A68)	Motor Vehicle Act - Raising Limit On License Fees For Taxes "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities go on record as favouring an increase in such license fee restriction, to reflect the general increase in present day costs and revenue requirements of municipalities."	Cumberland Regional - Town of Amherst	The Department has no objection to an increase in licensing fees for taxis. Therefore, the matter will be reviewed with amendments to be considered in the 1985 Legislation.
40(A70)	Tourism Signs and Stopping Places On Highways "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister in charge of Tourism investigate and arrange with the Department of Transportation regulations permitting communities to construct and maintain highway stop areas similar to viewing areas along the Trans Canada Highway, for display of highway informational signage for their community."	Valley Regional - Town of Middleton	In the interest of safety, it is not considered practical to permit stop areas on controlled highways. To do so would result in many turning movements, creating a hazard to other members of the travelling public. As an alternative, it would appear more practical for towns and municipalities to provide stopping areas on secondary roads near the interchanges of the controlled highways.

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41(A71)	Anti-Litter Signs On Highways and Posting of Penalties "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities strongly urge the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia and the Department of Transportation to erect anti-littering signs specifying the penalties for unlawful littering of our public highways."	South West Regional - District of Shelburne	An amendment to the Public Highways Act is now before the House which would increase the penalty for littering and a tab will be added to the signs specifying the minimum penalty for violations.
PART X	**MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS**		
42(A75)	Disposal of Derelict Vehicles "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities approach the Province of Nova Scotia to request examination of, and the adoption of a suitable method of providing funds for the proper disposal of derelict vehicles." Recently the Union has been advised by the Minister that his Department is preparing a proposal for the continuation of the disposal of derelict vehicles program.	Halifax-Dartmouth Regional - Halifax County	The Minister of Environment, the Honourable George Moody replied: "I concur that the Derelict Vehicles Disposal Program was indeed a most worthwhile project. While current fiscal constraints prohibit a repeat of the program during fiscal 84/85, I am asking staff to have a look at the feasibility of a scaled-down area-by-area annual program with some degree of permanance. It is my sincere hope that we can reach some common and effective accord on this matter and I will keep the union informed as we develop a workable concept."
43(A76)	Disposal of Seal Carcasses "BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Federal Department of Fisheries to accept full financial responsibility for the disposal of seal carcasses that may wash ashore."	Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough - Pictou County	

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	Your Committee approves this resolution in principle and refers it to the Canadian Federation of Municipalities through your delegates for appropriate action.		
44(A77)	Deposits For Non-Returnable Containers "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Nova Scotia Government be requested to impose a deposit return fee on all non-returnable beverage containers, similar to the law now in effect in the Province of Alberta."	Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough - Pictou County	The Minister of Environment, Honourable George Moody, replied: "With respect to Resolution #44(A77) as referred to the Nova Scotia Department of Consumer Affairs, while there are no immediate plans to make the specific changes in the Beverage Containers Act, I share your concern and this department will be pursuing recycling possibilities."
45(A78)	Disposal of Toxic Wastes "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Province be petitioned to establish a disposal site capable of handling toxic wastes in an environmentally safe manner."	Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough Regional	The Minister of Environment, Honourable George Moody, replied: "In concert with Environment Canada, we are currently engaged in a sector-by-sector, industry-by-industry waste management inventory across the province. The purpose of this study is to acquire a more detailed picture of the real situation vis-a-vis the production of hazardous waste and the handling of hazardous substances than earlier studies have afforded us. We are also looking at a proposal in concert with the Halifax-Dartmouth Metropolitan Authority and Environment Canada to have an indepth look at the situation in the metro area but with the specific goal of arriving at definitive handling, storage, and treatment options. In other words, we don't want to simply generate another list of hazardous wastes without also generating some specific and workable recommendations on how to handle them. Further to all this, another cooperative effort with

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			Environment Canada is the identification and investigation of abandoned waste sites across the province to determine what they may contain and to develop some possible clean-up options if and as required."
46(A79)	Task Force re Reduction of Work Stoppages "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities request the Minister of Labour to appoint a Special Task Force, with representation from the Provincial Government, the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, and the Nova Scotia Federation of Labour, to study existing labour relations legislation, and to report upon the adequacy of such legislation, and to recommend methods by which work stoppages can be avoided and the interests of all parties more adequately protected." It is approved in substitution for the original resolution A79, which is set forth with the Class "C" Resolutions.	Halifax-Dartmouth Regional (Halifax County) Resolutions Committee	The Minister of Labour and Manpower, the Honourable David Nantes; replied: "I am writing in response to the above noted resolution and our subsequent discussion of February 15, 1984. As indicated at that time, I share in general the concerns expressed in this resolution to the extent that even prior to receiving a copy, steps have been initiated to address the concern. As you can appreciate, it is not appropriate for me to go into any detail but, in general terms, I can outline what is taking place. In a recent speech to the Construction Association Management Labour Bureau I expressed my concern and the concern of this Government about the record in collective bargaining and days lost, particularly on Mainland Nova Scotia. The parties involved (Labour and Management as well as certain other interested organizations) have been challenged to get together and examine these problems. Hopefully they will accept this challenge and jointly propose solutions to improve the Labour Relations climate in the Construction Industry. I have received early indications that there is a positive attitude to this approach, therefore we will be pursuing this with some vigor over the next few months.

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			On matters relating to Labour Relations in general, (other than construction), initiatives will be taken there as well. I am aware that consideration had been given to the establishment of some type of Commission to review these problems. While this has not been ruled out, we are considering whether or not the same approach could be used here, as in the Construction Sector. As I mentioned earlier, it is not possible to be definitive at this time but I think this will provide a general overview of our thinking in this area."
47(A81)	Recreational Facilities - More Equitable Funding "BE IT RESOLVED that we request the Nova Scotia Department of Recreation, Culture and Fitness, to undertake a review of the situation, with a view to providing a more equitable distribution of funding for those communities who own and operate recreational facilities."	South Shore Regional - Town of Lunenburg	
48(A83)	Abuses On Private Woodlands "AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Lands and Forests carry out an extensive advertising campaign for the purpose of informing the public of the seriousness of offences on private woodlands."	District of Guysborough	The Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests replied: "The Department of the Attorney General has prepared a summary of the legal remedies available to a private woodlot owner when trepasses take place on his or her land. I am sending along a copy of this summary for your information.

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The fines for convictions under the various statutes are also listed. The Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities has requested that these fines be reviewed. My staff will consult with the Department of the Attorney General on this matter."

The summary prepared by the Department of the Attorney General reads as follows:

TRESPASS REMEDIES

1. ACT TO PROTECT PROPERTY, S.N.S. 1982, c.13

Note the Act does not permit a person to be prosecuted for entry on "forest land" if he or she is hunting, fishing or hiking. See Section 15(2).

A person may be charged if the "forest land" in question is:

(a) a Christmas tree management area, or
(b) a forest study area, or
(c) an area where an industrial woods operation is being carried on, or
(d) a commercial berry growing area.

See Section 15(1).

The fine for a conviction under the Act is a sum of not more than $500.00. See Section 3(1). Damages up to $2,000.00 may also be claimed. See Section 11(1).

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2. CRIMINAL CODE:

Part VII covers theft. See Section 283.

Under Section 294, if the property stolen exceeds $200.00 in value, the person commits an indictable offence and may be imprisoned up to 10 years. If the value is less than $200.00, the accused can be charged with an indictable offence and be sentenced up to 2 years or be charged with a summary conviction offence and be fined up to $500.00 or 6 months in jail or both. See Section 722(1).

3. CIVIL ACTION:

A landower may always bring a civil action in trespass. He may sue for any special damages he ha incurred (e.g. wood taken, damage to his property). He may sue for exemplary or punitive damages (e.g. if the person who stole has done this on numerous occasions and will not stop. This award is to teach a person that they should never commit the wrong again. Most courts only award $1.00 under this head). The landowner may also sue for his general costs (e.g. costs to hire lawyer - solicitor/client costs and cost to commence the legal actions - party and party costs).

4. LANDS AND FORESTS ACT, R.S.N.S. 1967, c.163

Note Section 72 to 79 covers trespasses on Crown land. It does not cover trespasses on privately owned land.

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			The fine for a wrongful trespass ranges form $8.00 to $80.00 plus the value of trees cut plus court costs. Under Section 158 of the Act, no person shall carry a firearm upon any land that is used for the purpose of tillage or orchard or as land surrounding a dwelling house unless he obtains the consent of the occupant. The fine ranges from $10.00 to $50.00 plus court costs ($3.00). See Section 210 (1)(g).
			5. DEER REGULATIONS passed pursuant to Section 130A of the Lands and Forests Act. Under Regulation 17 no person shall hunt deer or carry a firearm for the purpose of hunting deer on cultivated lands unless he has the permission of the owner or occupant thereof. The fine ranges from $100.00 to $300.00 plus court costs.
			6. MANDATORY HUNTER TRAINING REGULATIONS passed pursuant to Section 173 of the Lands and Forests Act. No person shall hunt within 200 yards of a public building or 880 yards of a school. See Regulation 27(1). Privately owned land within this radius will be protected. The fine ranges from $25.00 to $100.00 plus court costs. See Section 210(2) of the Lands and Forests Act.

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49	Planning Act - Development On Private Roads "THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and the Department of Municipal Affairs be requested to either change Department of Transportation policy or change the wording of Section 49(13) so that private roads can be approved as to design and layout to comply with the requirements of Section 49(13).	Presented to Conference by Municipality of Kings and considered on two-thirds vote of Confence.	The Miniser of Transportation, Honourable Jack MacIsaac, replied: "The existing Planning Act, dated 1969, will cease to be in effect by December 31, 1984, or when subdivision regulations are proclaimed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. It is therefore the Department's position that to attempt to amend the wording of Section 49(13) of the old Planning act would be inappropriate. It is the impression that thematter of woodlot and cottage development are to be covered in the new regulations and it would appear more appropriate to wait until these new regulations are in place rather than to change the above section of the old Planning Act." The Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Honourabe Thomas J. McInnis, replied: "A copy of the proposed draft provincial subdivision regulations as provided for under the new Planning Act have not been mailed to all municipal units for comment. These regulations enable the approval of a plan of subdivision proposing private roads in a rural municipality where the Department of Transportation approves the design of the proposed private roads. As proposed, private roads do not have to be built to Department of Transportation standards and the proposed provincial subdivision regulations do not contain any standards regarding the construction of these roads. If a municipality wants to deal with construction standards for private roads such standards may be included in a municipal subdivision by-law.

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			At this time, these are the proposals, however, the matter continues to be under discussion between the Honourable Jack MacIsaac, Minister of Transportation and myself.

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